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MEMORANDUM FOR: Training Liaison Officers

SUBJECT: Special Program on Central Asia

1. The Director of Training will consider applications for participation in the Central Asian program given by Georgetown University and described below. Applications must reach OTR not later than 17 June. It is suggested that applicants allow about one week for processing from their offices to OTR. Applications should be prepared in accord with CIA Regulation [REDACTED]. Special attention should be given to justification and personal qualifications.

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2. The SPECIAL PROGRAM ON CENTRAL ASIA is divided into three parts, as follows:

a. Summer Session (29 June to 4 September). Subject: CHINESE CENTRAL ASIA (northwest China, Tibet, Sinkiang and Mongolia), total academic credits, 4.

b. Fall-Winter Session (21 September 1953 to 22 January 1954). Subject: RUSSIAN CENTRAL ASIA, Part One (Kazakhstan, Kirghistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan), total academic credits, 7.

c. Spring Session (29 January to 1 June 1954). Subject: RUSSIAN CENTRAL ASIA, Part Two (Caucasus, Black Sea, and Caspian Regions), total academic credits, 7.

Classes will meet Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 0830-1030 hours and occasional evening sessions with guest speakers.

3. The program will be conducted by Dr. Rudolf Loewenthal with the assistance of six or more outstanding authorities on selected areas. General scope includes climate and resources; agriculture, industry and communications; administrative structure; population distribution; languages and literatures; religion; art; archaeology; regional histories; periods of Chinese and Russian control; recent developments; and bibliography and references.

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4. It is recommended that participation in this program be urged for persons concerned with problems related to these areas. The special speakers are outstanding authorities in their fields. There is no certainty that this program can be repeated; so it is recommended that all concerned will take advantage of it at this time. Further information may be obtained from Chief, Programs Division [REDACTED], Extension [REDACTED].

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